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Application No.: 10/674,480

Art Unit: 1625

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Preliminary Amendment Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.115 and  
Response to the Restriction Requirement

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This paper is in response to the Office Action dated June 9, 2004 ("the Office Action"), in which a restriction requirement was issued in connection with the above-identified patent application. This paper is also a Preliminary Amendment pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 115 in connection with the above-identified patent application. Filed concurrently herewith is a Petition for Extension of Time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for three (3) months.

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Applicant respectfully request the application be amended, without prejudice, prior to  
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02 FC:1202 examination as follows:

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

No additional fee is required.

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|--|--|-------|---|---|--------------|--------------------------|
| TOTAL<br>CLAIMS  | 35   | MINUS | 33  | 2   | 18.00        | 36.00                    |
| INDEPENDENT<br>CLAIMS                                      | 2  | MINUS | 3   | 0   | 86.00        | 0                        |
| <b>MULTI-DEPENDENT CLAIMS(S), Per Application (290.00)</b> |  |       |   |   |              |                          |
|  |  |       |   | <b>TOTAL AMENDMENT FEE FOR<br/>THIS AMENDMENT</b> | <b>36.00</b> |                          |

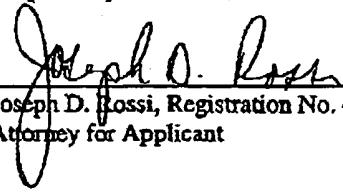
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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 which may be required by this paper or credit any overpayment to Account No. 18-1982. Two duplicate copies of this paper are enclosed.

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